



## **TURNING THE TIDE:**

**Engaging Religiously-Motivated Peacebuilders in Conflict Zones**

**UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS  
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### **PANEL I (10:00AM - 11:30AM)**

#### **Forging Relationships and Building Trust in Local Communities: Track I Engagement with Religious Actors and Peacemakers**

- Peacemaker* Ms. Maria Ida “Deng” Giguinto, Philippines
- Peacemaker* Mr. Azhar Hussain, Pakistan
- Peacemaker* Ms. Nozizwe Madlala-Routledge, South Africa

Track I officials, international agencies, NGOs and local governments are increasingly seeking out religious actors — women and men who have the trust of their communities — in their efforts to prevent, mitigate, resolve and transform conflicts around the world. Join us to hear from religiously motivated *Peacemakers* and the government officials who work with religious actors in pursuit of peace.

### **PANEL II (11:35AM - 1:00PM)**

#### **Alternative Approaches to Combating Extremism: Grassroots Initiatives of Religious Actors and Peacemakers**

- Peacemaker* Mr. Ricardo Esquivia, Colombia
- Peacemaker* Ms. Dishani Jayaweera, Sri Lanka
- Peacemaker* Ms. Sakena Yacoobi, Afghanistan

As military and diplomatic efforts are made to thwart radicalism and prevent individuals from feeling marginalized, alternative approaches are also being developed and implemented at the grassroots level, often by women. Join us to hear from religiously motivated *Peacemakers* and civil society leaders who are introducing and advocating for grassroots initiatives to address extremism.

Photo: Tanenbaum *Peacemaker* Ms. Sakena Yacoobi, Afghanistan | Credit: Alissa Everett

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